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Hongkong, January 4, 1908.

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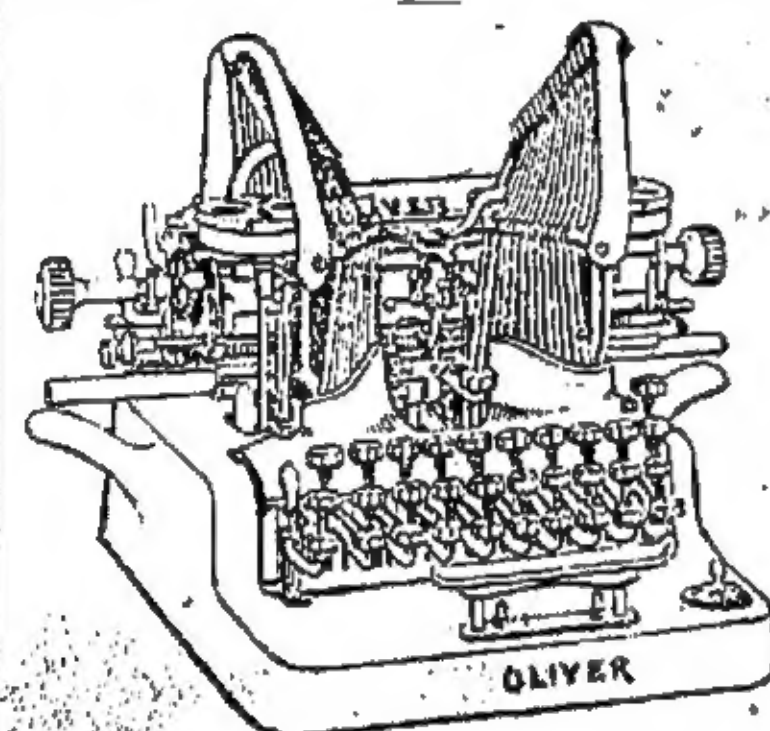
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Hongkong, January 6, 1908.

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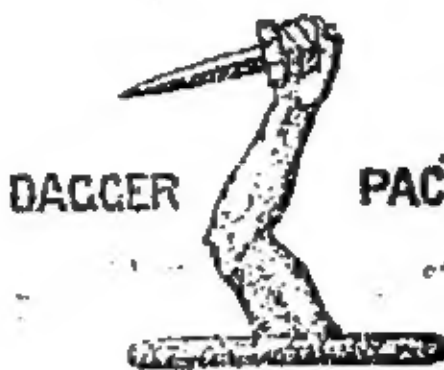
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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

EXCLUSIVE OF LATE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES REPORTED TO-DAY.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.

7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellie's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

VESSEL'S NAME.	CLASS.	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND REG.	TONS NETT.	DATE OF ARRIVAL.	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DESTINATION.	REMARKS.
Steamers.								
Ariaki Maru	8 c	Ota	Japan. str.	1735	Jan.	5 Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Arratoon Apar	4 c	Stewart	British str.	2915	Jan.	7 David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.		
Borneo	3 c	Sembill	Ger. str.	1344	Jan.	6 Melchers & Co.		
Bourbon	3 c	Bail	French str.	997	Dec.	27 Chinese		
Capri	3 c	Donenico	Ital. str.	2680	Jan.	7 Carlowitz & Co.	S'pore & Bombay	Jan. 13.
Changchow	3 c	Walker	British str.	1224	Jan.	1 Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	Jan. 11.
Charlton	3 c	Thomas	British str.	2892	Dec.	27 Naval Stores Officer		
Chiengmai	3 c	Schmalhaus	Ger. str.	1181	Jan.	8 Butterfield & Swire		
Chunhsang	3 c	Mayrick	British str.	1417	Dec.	19 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Singapore & S'pore	Jan. 9.
Dagony	3 c	Abrahamsen	Norw. str.	883	Dec.	22 Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Delhi	5 c	Andrews	British str.	4783	Jan.	9 P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	Jan. 11.
Devanha	kw	Hide	British str.	4186	Jan.	9 P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	Jan. 10.
Empress of India	5 c	Beetham	British str.	3032	Dec.	16 C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Jan. 16.
Feiching	3 c	Gillespie	Ch'ese str.	984	Jan.	8 C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kukura Maru	8 c	Sakamoto	Japan. str.	1948	Jan.	5 Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Ganges	3 c	Page	British str.	2721	Dec.	22 Admiralty		
Glenavon	3 c	Woolfender	British str.	2723	Jan.	7 McGregor Bros. & Gow.		
Haiching	6 h	Hodgins	British str.	1287	Jan.	8 Douglas Steamship Co.	S'pore, Amoy, F'chow	Jan. 10.
Hanchow	3 c	Mawley	British str.	1297	Jan.	7 Butterfield & Swire		
Hardinge	7 c	Vale	B. transport.	5434	Jan.	1 Government of India		
Hercules	3 c	Bjerk	Norw. str.	2439	Dec.	23 Order		K'loon Dock
Hinsang	3 c	Smith	British str.	1537	Dec.	7 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hopsang	3 c	Hay	British str.	1359	Jan.	7 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hupoh	3 c	Spink	British str.	1240	Jan.	8 Butterfield & Swire		
Japan	4 c	Olifent	British str.	3808	Jan.	6 David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Shanghai & Japan	Jan. 10.
Joshin Maru	3 c	Smith	Japan. str.	702	Jan.	8 Osaka Shosen Kaisha	S'pore, Amoy, Tamsui	Jan. 12.
Kanchow	3 c	Meathrel	British str.	1217	Jan.	8 Butterfield & Swire	Saigon	Jan. 12.
Kjeld	8 c	Heller	Norw. str.	910	Dec.	28 Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Korea	3 c	Sandberg	Amer. str.	6851	Jan.	9 P. M. S. S. Co.	S'hai & San F'cis	Jan. 17.
Kueichow	3 c	Hooker	British str.	1214	Dec.	22 Butterfield & Swire		
Kwellin	3 c	Hards	British str.	1072	Jan.	3 Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	Jan. 10.
Kwongsing	3 c	Baker	British str.	1428	Jan.	8 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Lienshing	3 c	Wright	British str.	1045	Jan.	9 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Lightning	3 c	Fey	British str.	2122	Dec.	21 David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.		A'deen Dock
Linan	3 c	Williams	British str.	1351	Jan.	8 Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	Jan. 12.
Lock Sun	3 c	Taubert	Jer. str.	1020	Dec.	31 Butterfield & Swire		K'loon Dock
Lo-nok	3 c	Schultzen	Jer. str.	1430	Dec.	30 Butterfield & Swire		K'loon Dock
Marie	3 c	Christiansen	Jer. str.	1167	Dec.	24 China Commercial S. S. Co.		
Mercedes	3 c	McGregor	British str.	300	Sept.	21 Admiralty		K'loon Dock
Minnesota	3 c	Austin	Amer. str.	13,328	Jan.	8 Nippon Yusen Kaisha	S'hai & Seattle, &c.	Jan. 18.
Nanshan	3 c	Jones	British str.	1289	Dec.	30 Bradley & Co.	Swatow	Jan. 11.
Neumuchlen	3 c	Fischer	Jer. str.	1970	Jan.	6 Iohsen & Co.	Rangoon	Jan. 10.
Orland	8 c	Lie	Norw. str.	1466	Jan.	1 Wallem & Co.		
Paoing	3 c	Tuebben	British str.	1073	Jan.	5 Butterfield & Swire		
Petchaburi	3 c	Wolf	Jer. str.	1169	Jan.	9 Butterfield & Swire		
Pheumpenh	3 c	Scott	British str.	1069	Jan.	1 Chinese		
Polyphemus	5 c	Chrimes	British str.	3061	Jan.	9 Butterfield & Swire		
Pongtong	3 c	Botefuhr	Jer. str.	998	Jan.	3 Butterfield & Swire		
Progress	3 c	Schewig	Norw. str.	1671	Jan.	7 Wallem & Co.		
Quarta	3 c	Struve	Jer. str.	687	Dec.	19 Siemens & Co.		
Rajaburi	3 c	Madsen	Jer. str.	1230	Jan.	4 Java-China-Japan M'n.	Saigon	Jan. 10.
Satta	3 c	Bremer	Jer. str.	1085	Jan.	3 Butterfield & Swire		
Sosha Maru	3 c	Desler	Jer. str.	951	Jan.	5 Siemens & Co.		
Talehan	3 c	Suruga	Japan. str.	1119	Jan.	5 Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Coast Ports & S'hai	Jan. 10.
Talehan	3 c	Stephen	Chi. str.	943	Jan.	6 C. M. S. N. Co.		
Tatsu Maru	8 c	Terumino	Japan. str.	1948	Jan.	6 Wallem & Co.		
Tingsang	3 c	Reynolds	British str.	1045	Jan.	6 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	Jan. 10.
Telntan	3 c	Koch	Jer. str.	1002	Dec.	22 Melchers & Co.		
Ulv	3 c	Pedersen	Norw. str.	885	Dec.	17 Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Woolwich	3 c	Stoker	British str.	1845	Nov.	13 Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Yessan Maru	8 c	Nagatsu	Japan. str.	1940	Jan.	7 Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Yuenang	5 c	Rolle	British str.	1128	Jan.	6 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	Jan. 10.
Yunnan	3 c	Jones	British str.	1214	Jan.	4 Butterfield & Swire		
Zafiro	5 c	Rodgers	British str.	1611	Jan.	6 Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	Jan. 11.

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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 7, 'The Haystack,' the Post.

Miscellaneous.

Engineers' Annual Dance at City Hall.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11.—2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammert's Sales Room. 9 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall. 9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria C. Ypter. Goods per St. Patrick undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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The China Mail

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1908.

TUBERCULOSIS.

While most well informed people smile when the Yellow Peril is mentioned the White Scourge, as tuberculosis has aptly been called, is a tangible and terrible fact. For years past the best minds in the medical profession in all parts of the world have been seeking for some remedy for this dread disease but, it has to be confessed, with little success. From time to time the discovery of some specific is announced but not one of them has stood the test of prolonged experience and experiment. As in regard to cancer the majority of people have been forced to the conclusion that the disease is incurable and that the most the doctors can do is to alleviate the suffering and, in some instances, to retard the progress of the malady. But it is only the laymen, who look at the problem in such a pessimistic manner. The doctors are still sedulously seeking for a cure, and this year a World's International Congress on Tuberculosis is to meet at Washington, D.C., U.S.A. This Congress will be the fifth of the kind to be held and official delegates from nearly all civilized countries will be present. Judging by the draft programme the Congress will put in much useful work during its three weeks' meeting. There will be a Tuberculosis Exhibition in which will be shown what is being done the world over in the campaign against tuberculosis, and clinics and demonstrations will be held daily. A course of thirty special lectures will also be given. The Government of the United States is taking a strong interest in the Congress, and representatives of the Departments of State, of the Treasury, of the Navy, of the Interior, of Agriculture and of Commerce and Labour will attend. The State Governments will also send delegates. A large number of cash and other prizes are to be given for exhibits and suggestions in regard to the best methods of coping with the disease.

We observe that three persons in each country have been asked to serve as the nucleus of a National Committee. The names of three Japanese doctors appear but China seems to have been overlooked. We would have thought that if some of the medical missionaries in China had been invited to attend they might have been able to supply the Congress with some useful data and have brought back with them some new ideas which would be of great service to them in their work amongst the Chinese. However that apart, the work of the Congress is certain to be of signal service to mankind. Men are filled with horror when they read of some great battle in which tens of thousands of men are slain. They do not pause to consider that tuberculosis alone claims more victims in a year than the most bloody war on record has ever done. When this is borne in mind it will be conceded at once that almost any outlay involved in the attempt to discover means of resisting its inroads would be justified. Tuberculosis is an enemy against which the mental weapons of all men, black, yellow or white, may well be turned. National, even racial, divisions become as nothing in the face of a common foe. Hitherto tuberculosis has held its own against all the world's scientific knowledge. Let us hope that as a result of the forthcoming conference victory will incline to those who are striving to rid the world of one of its greatest scourges.

There appears to be a lull in the rage of the Chinese as far as we can gather from the reports appearing in the daily papers; but the action of the British Government is not without some effect upon the action of the officials. Already there have been orders sent to the Commander of certain fast going native gunboats that have been on the North River, to return and proceed up the West River at once. Whether this is robbing Peter to pay Paul, we need not inquire, though on the surface such would seem to be the effect of the order, and especially as at present the officials on the North River have their hands full in two of the districts. At any rate these boats have been ordered back to take up special duties on the West River. It appears that two years ago they were stationed on the latter River, and were then sent up North. If this is so, they will be more or less accustomed to the duties that lie before them. These boats appear to be small, and to be suited for moving up and down the narrow creeks, where bigger boats cannot enter, and where, on the other hand, the small and fast boats of robbers are often to be found. Thus it would appear as if the action of the British, in forcing the hands of the Chinese, is already bearing fruit, and though this may be but little, it is a move in the right direction, and one that will probably lead to the diminishing of piracy.

On December 20 we wrote, after the Australian eleven had won the first test match: We may rely upon it that the English eleven will now make redoubled efforts to win the remainder of the test engagements. That opinion has been justified by the splendid victory, which by means of our special cricket service we were the first to announce on Tuesday. Later details since to hand show that the end of the game was even more exciting than was the case at the first test. Thirty-nine runs were required to win when the last English batsman took his stand at the crease. He and his partner had to bat on a wicket worn by six days' strenuous play, and though the wicket may not have been so bad as that upon which the Australians gained their victory, impaired as it was on that occasion by rain, still the task was no easy one. That it was accomplished is a fact upon which Jones and his eleven can be wholeheartedly congratulated. The critics at home, to whom we referred in a previous article, who foretold nothing but disaster for the "team of colts" as Jones' eleven was contemptuously but inaccurately styled, have had their reply. That the reply is not yet conclusive is true but it may be taken for granted that the next three test matches will be most stubbornly contested. All sportsmen will be glad that the English eleven has shown the Colonials that they will have to put every ounce of endeavour they are capable of into the effort to retain the ashes.

ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT. In the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court this morning, before His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise (Puisne Judge), Yan Loong sued Dang Chee and Co. to recover \$984, being balance of account owing to them by the defendants for goods sold and delivered. A cross summons was brought by Dang Chee and Co. against Yan Loong to recover \$551.73, being the equivalent of \$50, the amount of damage suffered by the plaintiffs by reason of the defendants' breach of contract for the supply of 200 cases of ginger, the contents in the cases supplied not being according to sample. In the first action (No. 1053) Mr. R. D. Atkinson (of Messrs Denoon, Looker and Denoon) represented the plaintiffs, and in the counter claim he represented the defendants. In the second action Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs Goldring and Barlow) appeared for the plaintiffs, who were defendants in the first action and represented by the same solicitor.

Mr. Goldring applied for an adjournment on the ground that his clients' executors admitted \$433 as due. The managing partner had consented to be managing partner, and he had considerable difficulty in getting any instructions. There was no question of the matter being settled before Chinese New Year. Mr. Atkinson—The summons has been adjourned from Friday to Friday for the last two or three weeks. His Lordship—They will have to pay for that. Judgment was given for plaintiffs in the action 1853, with a stay of execution until Tuesday, when action 1851 will be heard.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Guoens and Co. send us one of their Anglo-Chinese Calendars for 1908.

The French Mail of the 10th Dec. was delivered in London on the 8th inst.

The Straits golf championship was won by Capt. Kirkwood, Captain of the Garrison Golf Club.

During the past day or two the transport Hardinge has been at the Kowloon wharves, loading the effects of the Cameron Highlanders.

H. M. S. Flora, which is probably at Amoy just now, is due in port soon, and we have no doubt be here on Sunday. The Astrea will come down from the north shortly.

The huge chimney stack at the Naval Yard which is sooner or later destined to belch smoke over the European part of the city is now practically completed, and the scaffolding will soon be removed. This eyecore will in the future go down in photographs as one of our land marks, a practical one if not picturesque.

The contractor is pushing on rapidly with the work on the site of Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s new building at the corner of Des Voeux Road and Pedder Street. The excavations for the foundations are nearly complete, and activities on the construction are commencing. A difficulty in the foundations is the inrush of water. Pumps have constantly to be employed.

This evening at the Union Church Literary Club the opening social of the second half of the session will take place. An attractive programme has been arranged in which Mesdames Williams and Tyan, and Messrs J. D. Auld, S. Moore, A. J. Darby, Payne and Grimble have kindly consented to take part. In addition to these, Trumpet-Major Elliot has kindly promised to play a cornet solo, and it is expected there will be large attendance.

Residents are now able to obtain some idea of the probable appearance that the new Post Office will present when completed. The builders have got up to the first floor, and the ornamental granite work is being got into place. To-day the coping was laid on the main portal in Pedder Street, and when finished this should be both architecturally artistic and substantial. It will, however, by some years before residents can go and purchase stamps there.

A pretty wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral to-day, when Miss Ada Hoskins, daughter of Mr. Thomas Hoskins, Quarry Bay shipyard, was united in wedlock to Walter Joseph Hill, only son of Captain Walker Hill, of Huddersfield, England, and Bendigo, Australia. The bride's father gave her away, and Mr. J. H. McLaren was in attendance on the bridegroom. After the wedding a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel, at which over one hundred guests were present to drink the bride and bridegroom's health. The newly married couple left for Macao, where the honeymoon will be spent amidst a salvo of crackers and showers of rice.

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ACCIDENTS ON THE FATSHAN RAILWAY.

During the last few days there have been two people killed on the Fatshan railway, and, remarkable to state, both at the same place, at Shuitan market, one of the places where trains stop. The first was a woman, and then followed a man. It appears that the train knocked each down and then went over them. Only ten days intervened between the two fatal accidents. These unfortunate events naturally lead the Chinese reporters to ask what is the cause of these two accidents following so quickly upon the footsteps of each other. They want to know whether the soldiers who guard the line are specially vigilant or not, or whether the driver is as careful as he should be. Probably it will be found that the fatalities occur because the Chinese countrymen do not know the difference between a train, slow as it is, and a Chinese wheelbarrow. Till this is known accidents will happen.

ROW IN A RESTAURANT.

During the early hours of this morning a free fight seems to have taken place in a restaurant in Queen's Road West, as a result of which eight Chinese were charged at the Magistracy this morning with behaving in a disorderly manner.

From the story given by the proprietor of the restaurant it seems that one of the men—Tung Chau—went into the restaurant some days ago and ordered a meal which he declined to pay for, and it was only on the intervention of the police that he settled the bill and left the house. This morning, however, together with seven others, he returned and the party seated themselves round a table and ordered some eatables. The waiter took the order and on his return with a tray laden with food, he was seized by the queue and struck on the head with a stool. In the melee which followed chairs were upset, crockery smashed, and three hanging lamps pulled down. Inspector Collett and two lunkers arrived about this time and arrested the eight men, who were each fined \$10 by Mr. F. A. Hazeland.

THE REBELS IN THE SOUTH WEST.

Reinforcements Wanted. Telegrams continue to pour into the Viceroy's office in Canton from various sources asking for soldiers to suppress the robbers and rebels that are reported to abound and to be causing uneasiness in the districts that border on Annam. The Districts of Linchuan, Yanchuan and Koonan seem to be the centres of the infected part of the population. At any rate the officials of Koonan have sent strong telegrams asking for reinforcements. They have also sent in asking for arms to arm three battalions of militia, which they have managed to get together to assist the regular soldiers.

It is pointed out that every hour is of importance as the rivers in this part of the country are rapidly becoming very shallow, and unless arms and men are sent at once there will be no means of getting the help in time for the work for which they are needed.

Already Linghsing has been attacked and taken by the rebels, and then again retaken by the Imperial troops. Now more it is in danger of being retaken by the rebels, and apparently, according to the reports sent in by the officials, there is little hope of holding out unless there is assistance sent at once. Meanwhile the Canton officials seem to be gathering what assistance they can to send forward.

It is not alone in this district however that trouble is expected. The officials in Yuyuan and Youngshan on the North River also report that the robbers and the brigands in those more or less out-lying districts are arranging to amalgamate their forces in order that they may the more effectively carry out their depredations. The District Magistrates of these respective districts have therefore sent in to Chin taotai, and asked for reinforcements. The reply has not been very encouraging. They have been told that there are no soldiers available from the south to be sent up. On the other hand it is pointed out that there are some Hunan troops available, though from what source is not clearly stated. It would appear therefore that in the interior of China, where Government control is less effective, there is much robbery, and there is considerable apprehension on the part of the local officials that trouble is brewing, though it may not be so serious to the Government, will most certainly be a grave danger to the more peaceable part of the population.

A FORTHCOMING BOOK. A novel of strong local interest is announced. Its setting is Southern China—Canton particularly—and its title is "Scenes Between." The author, Miss Annie M. Wood, was for years a Canton resident, and the "local colour" may be expected to be correct. The story will have a special attraction for Missionaries, but any resident in South China should find it of interest. The book is to be published by Mr. Elliot Stock at 6s. nett.

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BY TELEGRAPH. RIOTS AT HSIEHCHIAO. Government Troops Defeated. (From Our Correspondent.) SHANGHAI, January 9. Riots at Hsiehchiaio, near Kashiung, have destroyed the police station, military barracks, the school and Roman Catholic chapel and other property. Subsequently they met and defeated the provincial troops, killing their commander.

PORT ARTHUR. Chinese Customs House Opened. (From Our Correspondent.) SHANGHAI, January 9. A branch of the Imperial Chinese Customs was opened at Port Arthur yesterday.

FOUND DROWNED. An inquiry was held at the Magistracy this afternoon before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz into the circumstances surrounding the death of signalman R. H. Street, of H.M.S. Tamar, whose body was found floating in the harbour on December 6, 1907.

The following constituted the Jury:—Messrs W. C. D. Turner, J. E. Meyer and J. H. Kaplan. Leung Fo, a fitter, stated that on December 10, he saw a European man, surrounded by a crowd of Chinese, singing on Pottinger Pier. He saw the European throw his cap into the harbour and then jump in after it. When in the water the European called for a sampan but there were none about. Mr. Gompertz—And you did not attempt to rescue him?—He could swim. Witness, continuing, said he left when the man was swimming and did not report the matter to the police. He saw the man was a sailor and mentioned the matter to a man on the King Alfred. Evidence was given that the deceased was in the Naval Canton at about 6.30 where he had a couple of drinks and left. The Doctor's evidence was that death was due to drowning. There was a small wound on the head, which the doctor was of opinion was of post mortem origin. The enquiry was adjourned until 2.00 o'clock to-morrow afternoon for evidence of a formal character.

AMOIY RACE. First Day's Wins. Yesterday the Amoy Race Club's winter meeting commenced, the wins for the day, for which we are indebted to the courtesy of the Jockey Club, are as follows: Consular Cup, Value \$100. Seven Furlongs: PRINCEZEE. Trial Stakes, \$10 each, \$100 added. Three quarters of a mile: GRENADINE. Po-kee Challenge Cup (Presented) one mile and a quarter: TITRAC. Heskwan Cup, Value \$100, One mile and a quarter: FINTREZEE. E. Mung Kang Plate (Presented) One mile and a quarter: RYONG. The Ava Cup (Presented) One mile: HARMONY. Amoy Stakes, \$10 each, One mile and a quarter: TITRAC.

WIRELESS ON A CHINA COASTER. A new departure in the merchant shipping of the China Coast has recently been introduced in connection with the Hamburg-America Line steamer Admiral von Tirpitz. When she was in Shanghai last she was fitted with a wireless telegraphy apparatus and it is intended to use this on her regular runs to Tsingtau and back. This is her first voyage north with the instruments on board, and the receiving instrument in Shanghai has been placed aboard the Loipic. The result of the experiments as to the value of this mode of communication on the coast will be watched with interest.

TRAGEDY ON A STEAMER. A Christmas Suicide. A terrible tragedy was enacted on board the China Merchants' steamer Kingwo only on Christmas morning, when Mr. John Freeman, chief engineer of that vessel, committed suicide. The deceased was seen by one of his shipmates early in the morning and Xmas greetings were exchanged between the two men, immediately after which Freeman retired to his cabin and shot himself through the head, death being instantaneous. There is no apparent cause to account for the action and the case is rendered more and by the fact that the deceased was about to proceed home on a holiday. "Hankow Daily News."

BY TELEGRAPH.

TEST CRICKET.

How The Match Was Won.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters.

via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 8.

The greatest excitement prevailed towards the end of the test match between England and Australia.

When Fielder joined Barnes the score stood at 243 and 39 runs were required to win.

These were knocked up by steady play and after an exciting ending England won.

AMERICA'S NAVY.

An Admiral Rebuked.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters.

via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 8.

A message from Washington states that the Navy controversy has been revived owing to the publication of letters from President Roosevelt and Mr. Metcalf sharply rebuking Admiral Brownson.

The Admiral incurred the displeasure of the President by resigning the control of the Bureau of Navigation because a surgeon was appointed to the command of a medical ship, in preference to an executive officer.

(REUTERS'S SERVICE.)

THE LONDON "TIMES."

LONDON, January 7.

It is officially announced that negotiations are proceeding for converting "The Times" into a Limited Liability Company, with Sir Arthur Walter as Chairman and Sir Arthur Pearson, Managing Director. The latter is to reorganize the business management, but the editorial character remaining unchanged.

THE COTTON CONGRESS.

LONDON, January 7.

The International Cotton Congress in Manchester has approved of the principle of purchasing a plantation from the United States by a European Company.

CANADA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, January 7.

M. Lemieux at Vancouver opined that a solution of the Japanese immigration difficulty was able to be reached, and said that the negotiations in Tokyo were of the most friendly nature.

THE MOUNT ROYAL.

LONDON, January 7.

The Mount Royal reached Queens-town on the 3rd instant. Her boilers started leaking on the 24th December and she was forced to put back.

INDO-CHINA.

LONDON, January 7.

The Paris paper "Depeche Coloniale" in an article dwells on the dangerous spirit and the political unrest in Indo-China, similar to that in India; the result of the establishment of a native consultative Chamber, and says that the natives are possessed with the idea that France has granted semi-parliamentary privileges from a fear of the Japanese.

BRITISH TRADE.

LONDON, January 7.

British imports for 1907 amount to £645,904,176, against £607,880,500 in 1906. Exports for 1907 amount to £426,204,596, against £375,575,338 for 1906.

IRISH POLITICS.

LONDON, December 24.

Mr. L. Ginnell, Nationalist Member of Parliament for Westmeath (North), has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for contempt of court, and is now lodged in Kilmintinham Gaol, in Dublin.

The negotiations between Mr. John Redmond, leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party in the House of Commons, and Mr. William O'Brien for a reunion of the Irish political parties have resulted in a basis of agreement.

BEWARE OF PNEUMONIA.

If you have weak lungs, you have reason to fear pneumonia, and should keep at hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

THE SUNNING RAILWAY.

Opening Ceremony.

(From Our Representative's.)

SUNNING CITY, January 6.

The official opening of the section between Kung Yick and Sunning of the Sunning Railway took place at 6 p.m. on the 6th instant. It was at first decided that the ceremony should be carried out at 12 o'clock noon, but owing to the late arrival of the President, who, in company with the District Magistrate, the Civil and Military officials (who are the highest authorities in the locality) and the gentry, went out in the morning in a special train to receive some prominent Hongkong European guests, it was decided to postpone the opening till the expected guests arrived. Thousands of Chinese were out to speed the "iron horse" on its way with five crackers and the Chinese equivalent for cheers. The populace was greatly excited and apparently regarded the steaming engine with great approval.

THE LINE.

Mr. Chin Yee Hee, the President and Engineer-in-Chief of the Railway, when interviewed by a representative of this paper, stated that the capital of the company is \$2,600,000, of which \$2,000,000 is subscribed by Chinese in America, and \$600,000 by Hongkong merchants. The sum of \$1,600,000 was left in America for the purchase of material and \$1,000,000 was banked here to defray the cost of labour. The whole line—which will connect Sun Kung Hoi and Sunning City, thence penetrating to Kung Yick—a newly opened port—is 40 miles in length. Mr. Chin has carried out the survey and finished the embankment of the whole line in about seven months. Work was started in June last year, but owing to the boycott against American goods progress was delayed as a large quantity of material had been ordered from America. Of the six locomotives in use two were purchased from Germany and the other four from America.

The section which has just been opened, is 17 miles in length, and might have been finished two or three months earlier had it not been that the President was laid up. He later had the greatest trouble with the people of upper Sunning, and had to arrest one or two of the gentry. They will be released on the completion of the whole line. People had attempted to kill him and he had only 10 soldiers from the Chinese authorities to give protection. The people in this locality were obstinate, and women took part in an attack made upon him. In lower Sunning the people are more enlightened and no obstacles were met with. The opinion of the people in the troublesome part of the district is that with the existence of the railway, the corn fields will be spoiled by the smoke.

The bridges along the section that has been opened number ten all told. The sleepers for the permanent way were obtained some from Pak Kwong, a place in the North River, and the rest from the Straits Settlements.

The President is unable to say what may be the income from the section between Kung Yick and Sunning, but for the first few days the line will be open to the public free of charge. Coal for the engines is procured in Hongkong, and about one ton per day is now consumed.

When the President first returned from America to construct the line, the Chinese officials would not memorialize the Peking Government on his behalf for the necessary permission, because he had no diplomas. He had therefore to go to Shanghai and afterwards a petition was made direct to the Board of Posts and Communications, and thanks to Wong Ching Muk he was at last permitted to commence work. When he first went to see Viceroy Shun Chun Hsen, the then Viceroy of the Kwang Provinces, owing to the attitude of certain junior officials, he was kept waiting in the yamen from ten o'clock in the morning until five o'clock in the afternoon without being permitted to see the Viceroy. The next day he went again. The junior officials stated that permission would be allowed if the Company consented to pay the Government at the rate of \$3000 on every \$10,000 of profits. The President asked why there should be a difference in the treatment accorded the Amoy-Swatow Railway Company—for the latter Company only pays at the rate of 5% on the Company's profit—and the reply was to the effect that the company referred to had appropriated a sum of \$200,000 for the use of the Government and that a special favour had been granted to them; the authorities, however, were now willing to decrease the tax to 20% and to this the President replied that the Government was not a market where one made the best bargain of a thing and that under the circumstances the Company would agree to pay 8% on the profits.

The land through which the line passes cost the Company \$300,000, land value varying from \$15 to \$300 per acre. The labour in connection with the embankment was supplied under contract, at the rate of 11 cents per square yard, and the cutting of hills cost the Company 18 to 25 cents per square yard.

The line when completed is estimated to cost \$20,000 per mile. At present the company has sufficient material in hand to extend the line 23 miles to Kongmun, though a few more engines would be required.

The bridges of the present line have been inspected by a European engineer of the Canton-Hankow railway and he has pronounced everything to be in perfect order.

The rolling stock of the line at present comprises several Baldwin engines of 1907 make and a number of the latest Pittsburgh passenger cars, as well as a number of

flat cars for freight. The equipment is not yet complete, and the remainder is under order.

It is interesting to know that the President is 63 years of age and has been in America 43 years. The salary he draws from the Company for his work in controlling the construction of the line is the magnificent one of \$30 per month.

In accepting the Presidency of the Company Mr. Chin has sacrificed financial interests representing \$3,600 a year.

THE CEREMONY.

It was 5 p.m. when the guests were conveyed to the station and immediately on arrival the President invited the Magistrate, Mr. Chang Chih-wah, to proceed to the train, and amid the firing of crackers and guns the railway was declared opened. This done, the party made their way back to the railway station, and there congratulatory speeches were made.

Among those present were the President, Mr. Chin Yee Hee, members of the directorate civil and military officers, gentry, representative of the Canton-Hankow Railway, Messrs. William Nicholson (Butterfield and Swire), Thomas Skinner and James D. Auld (Messrs. Skinner and Company), S. Silverstone and Junior (Pacific Mail S.S. Company), Stuart J. Fuller (Vice-Consul General for America), David Wood, T. G. Turnbull, (Canadian Pacific Railway Co.), D. Macdonald, Tam Tze Kwong, and others.

The President addressed the gathering, giving a brief history of the line and thanked the guests for the honour they had done him by being present. He felt very grateful and concluded by proposing the toast of the King of England, the President of the United States and the Emperor of China.

The District Magistrate and the representative of the Canton-Hankow Railway also addressed the President and wished success to the Sunning Railway.

Mr. Fuller expressed his pleasure at being present at the opening of the first railway line in China which had been conceived, financed, designed and constructed by Chinese alone, and in which the people of the district had something to be proud of. The speaker thanked the President and directors for the hospitality extended to them and for the friendly reference to President Roosevelt. Mr. Fuller expressed the hope that the Chinese Emperor would live long and enjoy the fullest measure of health and prosperity.

Mr. Li Sun Ling ("Chinese Mail") said that the railway was an exceptional work by an exceptional man, and at an exceptional occasion such as that at which they were present demanded exceptional praise. This was not the first time that a railway had been constructed in China without foreign assistance. But he confidently declared that never before in China, and perhaps in any foreign country, had such an immense work been constructed in such a short space of time, taking into consideration the troubles and obstacles which the President, Mr. Chin Yee Hee, had to overcome. Hills had to be cut through, streams to be bridged and great embankments to be made. All that work including the erection of railway buildings had been done under Mr. Chin Yee Hee's sole supervision and on his own plans unaided in any way by foreigners. Great praise was certainly his due for sacrificing his own interests to give the people of China one of the greatest factors towards civilization—railway communication. After describing the troubles which Mr. Chin had to overcome, the usual attempts to install some one else as President, and so forth, Mr. Li Sun Ling said that the zigzag course of the line was due to consideration for the feelings of the villagers who believed in feng shui. In conclusion he referred to several instances of devotion to duty manifested by Mr. Chin while the line was under construction and mentioned that the President was not only a very able railway engineer and administrator but also a good mining and electrical engineer. He wished the President and the Sunning Railway all prosperity.

Mr. Chin Yee Hee modestly deprecated the remarks concerning himself. That they had been able to meet that day was due to the assistance rendered by the general public and the press. The speaker displayed emotion in replying and concluded by assuring all that he could be relied on to do his best for the line—he could do no more.

Mr. Tam Tze Kong congratulated the promoters on the success of the line. Without railways no country could be properly developed, though in the past the Chinese looked upon it with aversion owing to feng shui. When the people of Sunning, who had travelled, returned from abroad bringing new ideas with them they were received with open arms and as a consequence of this, the "iron horse" was no longer feared. Mr. Chin Yee Hee had been in America for 43 years, and while there he studied railway science. The result was the Sunning line. In 16 months over 50 miles had been completed—in another 18 months 130 miles would be completed. Mr. Chin deserved all credit for his labours and after a very flattering reference to Mr. Chin the speaker concluded by wishing him health and happiness—a speedy completion of the Ning-yang line, from which not only Kwangtung, but the whole of China would reap benefits.

Mr. William Nicholson wished success to the Sunning Railway, and expressed the hope that the President might long be spared to guide its affairs. The line had been started in a thoroughly business-like way, and he hoped that the success that had hitherto crowned their efforts might be more than realized in the future development of the railway.

Mr. Donald Macdonald said that as an engineer he thought he was lacking in gratitude if he failed to express his ap-

preciation of the pleasant journey they had just completed over the first section of the Sunning Railway. The work reflected great credit on Mr. Chin Yee Hee and his able staff. China was just beginning to realize the advantages of railway systems, and all sincerely hoped that the advent of the locomotive in the Sunning district would bring increased prosperity to merchants and peasants alike.

Mr. S. Silverstone thought that the popular expressions of joy exhibited by the people along the line as the first train ran showed that the people were with the railway company, and that being the case the future success of the railway was assured. He hoped that the earnest zeal displayed in the building of the line and in surmounting the almost insurmountable difficulties encountered would bring to the shareholders that measure of prosperity that they deserved.

Mr. Turnbull also tendered congratulations to the President of the Railway, and said that a splendid example had been given by the railway undertaking to all the younger generation who could see it.

GUESTS DELAYED.

The guests who went up from Hongkong did not find the whole trip conducive of pleasure. Disorganization of arrangements kept them back a day, and a night at Kongmun without proper accommodation was anything but enjoyable. The train in which they were to go to Kung Yick was overcrowded by Chinese and the engine stuck up half way to the destination. There was delay of over an hour here, but Kung Yick was eventually reached and the launch waiting to convey the party to Kongmun was boarded with the hope that troubles had ended. Hope was a false jade. The tide was low and the launch was early stuck fast in the mud, and though when the tide rose full steam was made for Kongmun the steamers expected to be caught had gone. This was 8 o'clock at night, and a cold and miserable party were faced with the prospect of a night in the cold air of a Chinese city. However, the Customs staff came to the rescue and the Customs House was placed at the disposal of the stranded. After a dismal night the party was able to get away next day to Hongkong.

At the banquet after the opening ceremony excitement was afforded by the fall of a kerosene lamp. A fire threatened but the flames were quickly put out, and the banquet was resumed.

THE TIME BALL TOWER.

The time ball tower built on Signal Hill, Kowloon, is now ready for use. It rises to a height of 40 feet and can be seen from almost every part of the harbour. It is of special construction, being entirely fire-proof, and is calculated to stand the most severe weather. It is designed in the Georgian manner, the facing bricks used being specially made in Amoy, and the dressings are of local granite. The lower floors of the tower are to be used as stores in connection with the signal station. Altogether the tower is a handsome little structure and is substantial. It was designed by Mr. A. C. Little, of the Public Works Department.

THE KWANGSI BANDITS.

A Base in Annam.

The Chinese Minister to Paris has reported to the Peking Government that the French Foreign Office has consented to instruct the Governor of Annam by wire to the effect that the chief of the Kwangsi bandits in Annam should be deported and that if any bandits cause troubles in Kwangsi from Annam such should be reported to the French Government and he should endeavor to suppress them. An Imperial Decree has been issued to Chang Ming-chi, the Governor of Kwangsi, to organize more intelligence parties and independent armies to meet any emergencies.

The Chinese Minister to Paris has reported that the bandits of Kwangsi and Kwangsi having entered Annam and making Annam their base the French Government seems to turn the circumstances to her advantage and it will cause important change in the situation and therefore it is advisable to raise five divisions of troops properly trained in Yunnan and Langkwang under a high military officer to exterminate the bandits and to prepare for emergencies.

Governor Chang Ming-chi has reported that there are over two thousand rioters in Annam and they have looted houses and burnt houses, and scattered foreign rifles and it is difficult to get information about them. There are 8,000 soldiers of the Chinese garrison on the border and four battalions under Huang Chung-li had been added to guard the border.

Chang Ming-chi, the Governor of Kwangsi, has wired to the Thence reporting that Dr. Sun Yat-sen's parties with foreign arms are trying to attack the border of Kwangsi and Yunnan and the present army in Kwangsi is not enough and it is necessary either to get trained troops from China or to raise more soldiers in Kwangsi by spending the funds for the payment of the indemnity.

SIKH PROCESSION.

***We are requested by the President of the Sikh Sabha to mention that a Sikh procession will be held on the 11th and 12th inst. Starting at 12.30 each day from the temple at the Happy Valley, to celebrate the birthday of Guru Govind Singh, the founder of the militant Sikh religion. This is the most important festival of the year for Sikhs and the President of the Sikh Sabha asks us to make this known in the hope that managers of firms who have Sikhs in their employment will give leave to all men who can possibly be spared so as to enable them to accompany the procession.

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SPORTING.

Football.

THIS RUGGER MATCH.

The annual "International" rugger match England and Wales v. Scotland and Ireland will be played on Saturday afternoon on the Hongkong Club's football ground, commencing at 4.15. England and Wales have won for the past two years, but on this occasion a very close contest is anticipated, and Scotland and Ireland are looking forward to a win, or at least a draw. Mr. P. M. Hodgson will referee.

Y. M. C. A. V. H. M. S. KENT.

To-morrow afternoon the Y. M. C. A. will meet H. M. S. Kent in an Association match at Happy Valley, commencing at 4.30. The following will play for the Y. M. C. A.:—Goal, Cooper; backs, Hamilton and McComb; halves, Haynes, Barlow and Piercy; forwards, Wesser, Coyne, Wilks, Coates and Greenhalgh.

GOLF.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

On December 22 the civilian members of the Club played a match against the United Services at Happy Valley and on Jan. 5 a return match was played, the civilians being successful in both games. The following are the results:—

December 22, 1907.

SINGLES.	
T. S. Forrest...	0 Lt.-Col. Dumbleton, R.E., 129th...
R. O. Hutchison 1	0 Lt. T. E. A. Dalryell, 129th...
E. J. Grist...	0 Col. Aitken, 119th O.A. Gittins...
C. E. B. Boase 1	0 Capt. Thursby, R.N.O.
E. F. Mackay 0	0 Major Lewis, 119th O.A. Murray 1
W. M. Anderson...	0 Mr. H. Wilson, R.N.
C. W. May...	0 Col. Martin, R.A.M.C.

FOURSUMERS.	
Forrest and Hutchison 1	0 Dumbleton and Dalryell...
Grist and Gittins...	0 Aitken and Thursby...
Mackay and Murray 1	0 Lewis and Boucher...
Anderson and May 0	0 Wilson and Martin...

January 5, 1908.

SINGLES.	
T. S. Forrest...	0 Lt.-Col. Dumbleton, R.E., 129th...
R. O. Hutchison 0	0 Lt. T. E. A. Dalryell, 129th...
E. J. Grist...	0 Col. Aitken, 119th O.A. Gittins...
C. E. B. Boase 1	0 Capt. Thursby, R.N.O.
E. F. Mackay...	0 Major Lewis, 119th O.A. Murray 1
M. A. Murray 1	0 Mr. H. G. Wilson, R.N.O.
C. W. May...	0 Col. Martin, R.A.M.C.

FOURSUMERS.

Forrest and Hutchison 1	0 Dumbleton and Dalryell...
Grist and Gittins...	0 Aitken and Thursby...
Boase and Mackay...	0 Lewis and Boucher...
Murray and May...	0 Wilson and Martin...

16 games to 8 in favour of the civilians.

CAPTAIN'S CUP.

The first monthly competition for the 1908 Captain's Cup (presented by the Captain of the Club for 1908) was held at Happy Valley from January 4 to 6. The following returns were made:—

* Mr. M. A. Murray	82-5-77
* Mr. E. V. D. Farr	85-8-77
Colonel H. Martin, R.A.M.C.	91-12-79
Mr. E. F. Mackay	85-5-80
Commander H. C. R. Boucher, R.N.	87-7-80
Mr. O. R. Satterthwaite, R.E.	87-7-80
Mr. W. D. Kraft	88-7-81
Mr. T. W. Warr	88-7-81
Mr. G. W. May	90-7-83

(21 entries.)

* Capt. E. Bootham	94-18-76
Mr. E. V. D. Farr	85-8-77
Mr. H. G. Wilson, R.N.	84-6-78
Mr. T. E. A. Dalryell, 129th...	83-4-79
Commander H. C. R. Boucher, R.N.	87-7-80
Mr. W. D. Kraft	88-7-81
Mr. T. W. Warr	88-7-81
Mr. G. W. May	90-7-83

(25 entries.)

* Tie for Captain's Cup.	
* Winner of Pool.	

League Cricket.

KOWLOON V. TELEGRAPHISTS.

Kowloon will meet the Telegraphists on Saturday, at King's Park, Kowloon, at 2.15, when the following will represent the home team:—

S. Lightfoot, W. Dixon, F. O. Day, J. Robinson, J. Mend, K. Macaskill, J. Tillman, C. Liboud, H. Harrop, J. Clalland and H. Clements.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 9th at 11.55 a.—The barometer had risen in Japan; the depression having moved away over the Pacific.

The anticyclonic area now covers China and Japan, but pressure is giving way over North China and gradients have decreased along the coast.

Strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lascas: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 2.

HOME SPORTING.

Our Special Letter.

LONDON, December 1.

The Turf.—Another fair racing season has run its course and until March the doings of the jumpers will claim the attention of the turfites. The final day of the season will be remembered for a very extraordinary incident, the horses in the Friday Selling Plate (run on Saturday) being off almost as soon as the numbers were up, consequently there was no betting. Only ten faced the barrier for the Manchester November Handicap, in which Balinglass gave a really stylish performance and won nicely, fairly turning the tables on Wuffy, winner of the Cesarewitch. Balinglass is certainly smart at a mile and a half, though perhaps not so good in proportion above that distance, as we so often find in animals which claim an American parent.

Mr. J. Hall Walker heads the list of winning owners with a record of thirteen wins for £17,910, following whom comes Mr. J. B. Joel £13,803, Mr. W. Bass £13,743 and Lord Derby £13,209. These figures do not seem very big compared to some seasons but after all it is better that the spoils should be split up. It may be stated that Mr. J. R. Kesse, who headed the list of winning owners in America this season, won over £20,000. Turning to trainers, we find Alec. Taylor at the top of the list, the animals under his charge having won 32 races worth £26,947, and he is followed by T. Lewis £19,821 and W. T. Robinson £19,085. Pride of place among jockeys again goes to W. Higgs, with 146 wins out of 585 mounts, just three less than he gained last season. D. Maher and W. Halsey also reached three figures, the former riding 114 winners out of 310 attempts and the latter 103 out of 424 mounts. To Maher, however, belongs the honour of the best percentage with the fine figures of 26.88, as against 19.94 by Higgs.

Gallinule and St. Frusquin are very near together in the winning stallions list, as was the case four years ago when the latter's family won about £48 more than that of Gallinule. This time the positions are reversed, Gallinule's sons and daughters having won 28 races, worth £23,383, as against the 42 events, worth £23,341, by St. Frusquin's family. Persimmon, first a year ago, is now eighth (£12,301) and his brother—Diamond Jubilee—(now in the Argentina) just beats him with £13,647. As to winning horses Lully's three wins were worth £11,555 and Woolvirider won £10,417 in eight victories, while Sancy, three wins £9,254, Lesbia, five wins £8,065, and Silver Gallion, three wins £7,705, come next. Thus leading honours go to a four-year-old and Woolvirider heads the three-year-olds, while Lesbia comes first among two-year-olds. The last-named, or Prospector may turn out the best three-year-old of 1908 and should Radium or Galvani prove the champion of the year the writer will not be surprised.

FOOTBALL.—The Amateur Football Association has just received further support through the formation of an Essex Amateur Football Association, with which some prominent sportsmen have associated themselves. No change in the order of the English League and Manchester United continue to gather in points. In the second division however the defeat of Oldham Athletic on visiting Clapton (2-0) has led to Hull City going in front. We have also had a "shake-up" in the Scottish League, both Celtic and St. Mirren tasting defeat on Saturday. The former were visiting Heart of Midlothian (1-0) while Airdrieonians, at home, beat St. Mirren (3-0). This has improved the chances of Dundee and Falkirk (first and second in the table) which beat Kilmarnock (4-0) and Hamilton Academicals (3-0) on Saturday.

The Rugby Football world is poorer through the death of John Hammond, one of the staunchest supporters the carrying code ever had. He three times visited South Africa and sportsmen there will be sorry to hear of his death, which followed an operation from which he failed to rally.

What was termed a Rugby Union International trial match was played at Richmond on Wednesday when the combined strength of Oxford and Cambridge could only draw against the Midlands and East of England. The team shown will hardly aid the Selection Committee. Two days previously Oxford University triumphed over Edinburgh University (18-0) but against London Scottish on Saturday Cambridge failed badly and went down by 31 points to 6. Mention must also be made of the tight game between Cardiff and Swansea, which the former won by seven points to five. More defeats have been the lot of the New Zealanders in their North Union tour, Oldham and Runcorn beating them by 8 to 7 and 9 to 1 respectively.

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